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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER ${\bf 25}^{\rm TH}$ SUMMIT ON NETWORK SURGE MANAGEMENT

Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB) today released the agenda for the Summit on Communications Network Surge Management in Emergencies to be held on Tuesday, September 25, 2007, 9:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., in the Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305).

The Summit will examine how communications networks are managed during mass emergency situations, as well as what the public can do to help ensure that they are able to effectively use their wireless commercial devices during such incidents (see full agenda below).

The Summit will be open to the public; however, admittance will be limited to the seating available. Those individuals who are interested in attending the summit may pre-register on-line at: www.fcc.gov/pshs/summits/nsm. Those who pre-registered will be asked to provide their name, title, organization affiliation, and contact information. Individuals may also contact Sue Gilgenbach at 202-418-0639 regarding pre-registration. A live web cast will be available at www.fcc.gov.

Sign language interpreters and open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please include a detailed description of the accommodation you will need on the day of the event. Please also include your contact information so that we may reach you for additional details, if necessary. It is important that you make your request as soon as possible. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau: For reasonable accommodations: 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

Federal Communications Commission Summit on Communications Network Surge Management in Emergencies

FCC Meeting Room (TW-C305) 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554

Tuesday September 25, 2007

9.30 a m - **Welcome**

• Derek Poarch, Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

9:40 a.m. – **Opening Remarks**

10:00 a.m. – FCC Presentation: Commercial Network Response in Emergencies

• Jeffery Goldthorp, Chief of Communications Systems Analysis Division, PSHSB

10:30 a.m. – Roundtable: will examine the wireless carriers' ability to increase capacity remotely, at the scene of an incident, as well as the actions the public can take to help ensure their effective use of commercial wireless devises in emergencies.

Moderator: Jeffery Goldthorp

Panelists:

- Jim Bugel, AT&T
- Greg Roark, Carolina West Wireless
- Libby Beaty, National Assoc. of Telecommunication Officers and Advisors
- Lise Hamlin, Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons
- Randy Ames, Sprint
- Diane Wesche, Verizon Wireless

12:15 p.m. – Closing Remarks

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